

# Winter Wedding Checklist

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Plan a cozy winter wedding, heating, backup plans, rich colors, and magical seasonal touches.

Open the editable version online:

<https://genechecklist.com/checklist/winter-wedding-checklist>

## VENUE

- Book a heated indoor venue with ambiance (fireplace, ballroom, barn)

HIGH

- Arrange portable outdoor heaters for any outdoor moments

HIGH

## GUEST COMFORT

- Set up a coat check at the venue entrance

HIGH

- Provide blanket or wrap rental for outdoor ceremony or photos

- Set up a warm beverage welcome station (hot cocoa, mulled wine, spiced cider)

HIGH

- Arrange hand warmers as favors or at the ceremony seating

- Note dress code for guests: elegant winter attire, layers encouraged

## DESIGN AND DECOR

- Choose a rich winter color palette (burgundy, navy, emerald, gold, ivory)

HIGH

- Incorporate candlelight and warm lighting for cozy atmosphere

HIGH

- Use winter greenery (pine, eucalyptus, cedar, holly, berries) in arrangements

## FLORALS

- Choose winter-hardy flowers (amaryllis, garden roses, anemones, ranunculus)

- Add pinecones, cinnamon sticks, or dried oranges to floral arrangements

## CATERING

- Plan warm, rich catering menu (hearty starters, roasted meats, comfort food)
- Set up a hot cocoa bar or s'mores station as a fun wedding favor
- Choose a wedding cake with winter flavors (spice cake, red velvet, chocolate)

## ATTIRE

- Choose layered wedding attire (fur wrap, long sleeves, velvet bodice)  
**HIGH**
- Wear appropriate footwear for winter weather (boots for outdoor photos)  
**HIGH**

## PHOTOGRAPHY

- Plan a shorter outdoor photo session: 30-45 min max in cold weather  
**HIGH**
- Brief photographer on making the most of winter light (shorter days)

## TIMING

- Plan ceremony timing to maximize natural light (early afternoon)  
**HIGH**
- Check sunrise and sunset times for your date to plan outdoor shots

## CONTINGENCY

- Purchase wedding insurance covering weather cancellations or delays  
**HIGH**
- Create weather backup plan for snow or ice on wedding day  
**HIGH**
- Arrange alternate transportation if roads may be icy (shuttle service)

## SAFETY

- Stock de-icing salt or grit at venue entrance for guest safety

## STATIONERY

- If near Christmas, order holiday-inspired stationery and invitations early

## **BUDGET**

- Take advantage of lower vendor prices (off-peak season discounts)

## **HONEYMOON**

- Book honeymoon at warm winter destination or winter ski resort